company. These have not been found to be based on facts.

Litigation against SSI units by HPF Mfg. Co. Ltd.

1984. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY:
SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hindustan Photo Film Manufacturing Company Ltd. has entered into litigation with several SSI units with regard to the import of Jumbo Rolls of various items by them;

(b) if so, what is the total expenditure incurred by HPF till date on such litigation;

(c) whether his Ministry have given sanction to HPF to enter into such litigation against SSI units; and

(d) if so, on what grounds and justification?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) to (d) M/s. Hindustan Photo Films Ltd. (HPF) has not entered into litigation with any SSI units. Some private sector units, reportedly belonging to the SSI sector, have entered into litigation with the Union of India and HPF has only got impleaded as a co-respondent with a view to protect its interests as a commercial organisation.

HPF Project for the Manufacture of blue sensitive X-Ray Film

1985. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY:
SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that HPF has been allowed to remit a sum of Rs. 100 crore as technical know-how and training fee out of the total project for the manufacture of blue sensitive X-Ray Film; and

(b) if so, what were the justifications for such unreasonably high technical know-how fees particularly considering that blue sensitive X-Ray Film being an out-dated technology, is being replaced all over the world by green sensitive X-Ray Film which is cheaper in cost and has less harmful effects on human body?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) M/s. Hindustan Photo Films (HPF) is presently setting up a project with a high technology content for manufacture of Polyester-based medical X-ray, Industrial X-ray and graphic art films in technical collaboration with M/s. Du Pont, USA. The blue sensitive film which will be produced by HPF is used worldwide. Amongst others, the lumpsum know-how fee payable to M/s. Du Pont, USA is US $ 46.45 million (net of taxes).

Imported photosensitised material lying uncleared at various ports

1986. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY:
SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that photosensitised materials of X-Ray and Graphic Art Films worth crores of rupees imported by various importers are lying at various ports uncleared, due to multidimensional litigation initiated by Hindustan Photo Films and these